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### Idaho Milk Production Up 3.9 Percent

Idaho milk production during August 2011 totaled 1.19 billion pounds, a 3.9 percent increase from the same month last year, but down slightly from July 2011, according to the National Agricultural Statistics Service. Average milk production per cow in August 2011 was 2,040 pounds, up 40 pounds from last year's level. The average number of milk cows during August was 582,000 head, up 11,000 from August 2010.

Milk production in the 23 major States during August totaled 15.3 billion pounds, up 2.2 percent from August 2010. July revised production at 15.4 billion pounds, was up 0.5 percent from July 2010. The July revision represented a decrease of 45 million pounds or 0.3 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate. Production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 1,810 pounds for August, 18 pounds above August 2010. The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.47 million head, 102,000 head more than August 2010, and 3,000 head more than July 2011.

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